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A NEW LETTER Concerning the JEWES.

A Copy of a Letter from Gaza, *wrote by* HANIE JOSEPH, *to his Brother* RAPHEL JOSEPH, *Saraf-baſſi of* Cairo, *the* 17th *of the Month* Chiſlu, An. 5426. *ſent from* Cairo *to a* Jew *in* Legorn. *Tranſlated out of* Italian *into* Engliſh.

BY reaſon of an Embargo on all Ships in *Alexandria*, I could not ſooner give you an Accompt of what paſſeth here among us.

Pleaſe then to know, That our Prophet embarkt in the Port of *Joppa*, to go for *Smyrna*, to ſpeak with our Annointed King about weighty matters; and as ſoon as the Bark ſet

sail, there rose a great storm, which forced them back. Thus they set sail thrice, and were still forced back with a greater storm, insomuch that they resolved to attempt no more; and landing from the Bark, a Pillar of Fire, and an Angel appeared, bidding him Return to *Gaza*, that there was no occasion of his going the voyage, for the Redemption of *Israel* was at hand: Hereupon the Prophet returned, and passing a Mountain in the Desart, there appeared a Prophet to him, *Jehu* the Son of *Hanan*, who confirmed unto him what the Angel had said, and bid be of good chear, for the Redemption of *Israel* was at hand; and that suddenly part of their Tribe would be together in *Gaza*. The Prophet having heard those words, followed on his journey for *Gaza*, very much rejoicing, giving thanks and prayers unto God for what he had received in this his Journey.

Further know; That a Prophet-Messenger is come to our Prophet from *Smyrna* sent by the Anointed King, who told him of many things, among the rest, how in a certain Feast of the *Jews* (which was the 25 of *November*) God would send three dayes and three nights of darkness among the Gentiles, and there should fall great Hail-stones, Fire and Brimstone, which should destroy many Houses of Idolaters, with a great mortality among People and Cattel; but among the *Jews* should be clear light, without any hurt or disturbance. He likewise told him, That in a little while would come part of our Tribe to the Holy Land.

Know, That Letters are come hither from *Aleppo* and *Damascus*, which give us good News, That in *Aleppo* are discovered Twenty Prophets men, and as many women.

All agree and confirm what the Prophet of *Gaza* said, and the King by him declared, is the true Anointed King of *Israel*, and that our Redemption is at hand.

About the 17*th* or 19*th* of the said Month, will be discovered a great Prophet in *Cairo*, and another in *Scio*.

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The 20*th* of the Month *Sceuceth*, which will be in our account *January*, will be at *Gaza* the Tribe of *Reuben*, and the half Tribe of *Gad* armed, and all ready for Battel, the Bashaw of *Gaza* giveth certain Credit to all our Prophet saith, for the said Bashaw hath a Brocher which is a great Astrologer, who assures him of the truth.

There are come other Letters which confirm the Truth of the Pillar of Fire. This, as what I have else wrote to you about, you must not harbour the least doubt of it. When our Prophet was in the Mountain, there was with him *Rabbi Israel Benjamin*, who at that time saw nothing, but after he had spent two days and two nights in humiliation, he heard and understood a Voice which said, *Nathan* (the Name of the Prophet of *Gaza*) *my Friend, the Lord God hath received thy prayers, and also the prayers which his people Israel make, return chearfully to Gaza, for the Redemption of Israel is at hand:* And when they met the foresaid *Prophet* in the Mountain, called *Jehu* the Son of *Hanan*, he told them, That within two Months should come two Embassadors to *Gaza* from the *Hebrews*, beyond the *Sabatalian* River, who should acquaint them that the *Messias* was come.

Wrote from the Treasurer of all Egypt, *to his Brother here, concerning the Propheſie relating to the* Jews.

Legorn Jan. 25. 1666.

From

From Amsterdam, *January* 22. S N. 1666.

HEre I send you now an encloſed from *Barn* in *Switzerland*, from our Friend there, concerning the ratling of our dry bones in *Judea*, that goes on more and more. For One Prophet, ye have now Twenty and above, not only at *Jeruſalem*, but elſe where alſo, as at *Cairo* and *Chios*. And its affirmed by the Prophets, That there will ariſe Prophets every where.

The Letters come yeſterday from *Legorn* and *Venice*, bring nothing but confirmation of all we heard of *Mecca* and *Saley*: And eſpecially of a great multitude deſcending from *Perſia*, all *Hebrew* people, of the Tribes of *Reuben* and *Gad*, marching up ſome eleven times an hundred Thouſand. As for the King *Sabbathai*, the *Jews* here keep cloſe what is of him; only a certain Rabbi ſhewed me this week a Letter written at *Hamborough* the 15 of *January*, ſaying, That at *Vienna* was come from *Conſtantinople* a Courier to the Emperor, ſent to him by his Embaſſador to acquaint him, That at *Conſtantinople* was arrived the King of the *Jews*, and was reverently received, and led about publickly by the Grand Signior. It's written alſo from *Legorn* and *Venice*, That at *Aleppo* the great *Turkiſh* Church was ſunk down in the Earth, and ſwallowed up; even as the Church at *Jeruſalem* of the *Franciſcan* Monks. And that in the Air was ſeen right above it, a fiery Pillar, and an Angel crying out, *That the Redemption of Iſrael is come*. The like Voice was heard at *Gaza*, at a certain time when the Prophet *Nathan*, with another Chacam or Rabbi ſtanding together, were encompaſſed with a Fiery Cloud. The Prophets do all agree in their Teſtimony, and ſay, That on the 25 of the *Cheſlu* *, there will be amongſt the Nations great obſcurity, and brimſtone will fall from Heaven upon divers places, and yet do no hurt to the *Jews*; and that many Churches will fall. Yea, it is aſſerted, That

* Part of November and December.

That on the 20th of this month *Sebat* *. *Reuben* as the first-born of *Jacob*, will be at *Gaza*: but before that time, two men would come to order how the Redemption of *Israel* should be effected. We hear also from *Paris*, that their King had news from *Constantinople*, and from *Persia*, concerning the march of the *Israelites*, at which there was a great Commotion at Court.

* Part of January and February.

Behold, this I thought good to communicate unto you, and so to give you an occasion also to impart to me what your Countrey Divines say to all this, before I come farther to the appearances of many of the dead Prophets and Saints, which is verified by divers Letters. What think you now of the Law?

It is likewise written from *Legorn*, to a Merchant here by his Correspondent, that at *Smyrna* the King of the *Jews* rides up and down in great State, Two hundred men attending on him, and is highly reverenced by the *Turks*.

From Smyrna, the 7th of December, 1665.

SIR,

HEre is a Jew in Town, who came about two Months since from *Jerusalem*, and gives out publickly, That the Messiah is come, and hath got to his Party a great many of the *Jews*. And not only in this place, but at *Constantinople*, and many other places through which he hath passed. And God alone knows whether he may be a means of the Conversion of that stiff necked Generation. But they are almost all of them at their wits end; [illegible] no man knows.

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